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From: Balash, Joseph R (GOV) [joe.balash@alaska.gov]

Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 6:00 AM

To: Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Notti; Emil R (CED); Galvin; Patrick S (DOR); Hartig; Lawrence L (DEC)

Subject: RE: Whitewater Pardon/Kake

Governor:

I am fully responsible for the meeting taking place yesterday in your conference room. I was not aware of James Stanford's role in the meeting or the project. It was never brought up in any previous conversations I had with the project's local proponents. The list of attendess I was given appears below--and he is clearly not on it. At least one other gentleman who attended was not on the list, either--Terry Otness. I will get a full list of actual attendees and compare it to what was provided to me. The background on how it got to the point it was yesterday is a somewhat long story that I will try to summarize here.

When you came into office, one of the first things I was tasked with was attending a meeting in Ketchikan on the AK-BC intertie feasibility study that got underway during the Murkowski administration. There is a backstory on the funding history for the study that does involve Thom Fishcer, but I will leave it for further explanation at this point. The study (and project) has considerable support from the Southeast Conference, and at the time I know I did not appreciate the differences between the AK-BC intertie project and the Swan-Tyee intertie project that was ultimately included in your March budget request to the Legislature. The results of that study have been in Ron Miller's office since mid-May awaiting his approval to make it final and post on the AK Energy Authority's website.

Shortly after session ended, John Bitney took a meeting with Don Kubley and Bob Loescher to go over the project. At the time, he told me that he didn't expect much and that it was likely to be another one of Kubley's pie-in-the-sky projects. However, he came away from the meeting intrigued because of the involvement and interest of American Insurance Group (AIG)--one of the nation's largest insurance companies that has tremendous investment capacity for large projects.

After Bitney's departure in July, Don contacted me and asked that he be able to come give me the same briefing on the project. I accepted the request and met with he and Bob Loescher, the former CEO of Sealaska. At that time, he was really pressing hard for your support--public support--that he could take with him to DC. I declined to take it up with Tibbles or anyone else because it was too soon. I also expressed dissatisfaction with the notion that the Palin Administration would support an effort that involved Thom Fischer.

Upon Kubley's return from DC, he requested another meeting to de-brief on how the meetings with Sen. Murkowski and Rep. Young went. I accepted and he brought with him two representatives from Kake Tribal--the president, Harold Martin and the president of their power group Matt Bell. They explained that Kake was buying out Tollhouse Energy (Fischer's group). This was due to the displeasure I had expressed, the displeasure Sen. Murkowski expressed, and AIG's insistence. At that meeting, I told him that a project to deliver cheap, clean power to California (or anywhere outside Alaska) while villages/communities in the same region are paying 40 to 60 cents per kilowatt hour was unlikely to get your support--that there had to be a way to address the local needs or it would have a hard time getting off the ground.

With that, they assured me there was a plan to provide local power supplies. They also indicated that representatives of all the companies involved were coming up to Alaska for a round of meetings, site visits, and requested a meeting and briefing with you. Tibbles thought it was premature and suggested that we have them meet instead with folks who could groundtruth the presentation. For that reason, I asked that Commissioner Hartig attend since he is the lead on your climate change subcabinet (he also has some familiarity with large projects due to his previous background). I also asked that Ron Miller and Sara Goad from AIDEA/AEA attend to scrutinize the project finances. Finally, I invited Commissioner Nottie and his special assistant, Joe Austerman, to attend since there is supposed to be a local

component for the communities.

The night before the meeting, Ron Miller called to ask how seriously he should take the presentation. I explained what I knew about the project, the presentation, and the players--namely, that AIG's involvement in particular had me interested. He then indicated that the connection with AIG could be attributable to Jim Clark--that his firm represents them in Alaska. That was the first I had heard of any connection with Clark.

The reason I allowed them to use your conference room is that I fully intended to attend the presentation when we scheduled it. As it turns out, the AGIA and PPT meetings were scheduled with you and there was a conflict on my schedule. I was able to move in and out of both meetings as a result.

Again, I take full responsiblity for the meeting taking place, the commissioners being involved, and for the use of your conference room. I had no idea that James Stanford was attending or involved--let alone that he has any relationship to your family. I apologize for whatever stress I created for you on this.

Joe

Mr. Bob Percopo
Senior Vice President
Global Energy and Marine
AIG Corp.

Ms. Teresa Chan
Vice President
Tribal Growth and Development
AIG Corp.

Mr. Harold Martin
President
Kake Tribal Association

Mr. Mathew Bell
President
Kwaan Power and Energy

Mr. Steve Hook
VP Tribal Growth
Conover Insurance Group

Mr. Christer Eriksson
Senior Vice President
North American Project Development
Asea Brown Bavari

Mr. Roland Bailey
Executive VP Development
Valard Construction and Energy

Mr. Bob Loescher
Green Pacific Energy

Capt. Don Kubley
President
Alaska International Marketing

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored)
Sent: Wed 8/22/2007 11:14 PM
To: Balash, Joseph R (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Notti, Emil R (CED); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Hartig, Lawrence L (DEC)
Subject: Whitewater Pardon/Kake

What was the deal with that group meeting in the conference room today on a "$5 billion green highway project"? Who met, why did they use the Gov's office conference room, what's this project, what's the lobbyist's role (Kubley?) in this? And who all were the folks in the hallway that I ran into after their meeting? And what is James Stanford's role in this? If Jim Clark and Tom Fischer used James to get access to Commissioners (and to kick us out of my conference room today to make room for Kubley's meeting), then that was inappropriate and unethical

And what's Ron Miller's role in this?

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 7:02 PM
To: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sunday night 7pm

I guess that's on. So i will schedule that.

------Original Message------

From: Kristina Y Perry

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Governor Sarah Palin

To: Kristina Y Perry

Sent: Aug 23, 2007 6:46 PM

Subject: RE: Sunday night 7pm

For Wasilla Bible/Wes Keller?

-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: "Governor Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>; "Kristina Y Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Sent: 8/23/2007 6:41 PM

Subject: Sunday night 7pm

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 3:13 PM
To: victor.khayat@us.army.mil
Subject: RE: Environment

Thank you for writing to Alaska Governor Sarah Palin. The concerns, opinions, and/or information you have sent are important and valuable to the Governor. Although she is unable to respond to each and every email herself, your message has been received and is being reviewed by the appropriate staff person in this office who can best address your need, suggestion, or comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 3:04 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Environment

Web mail from: Mr. victor khayat

address: 2085 Montgomery Rd Fort Wainwright AK 99703

MESSAGE:

Dear Maam,rnrnI am disgusted to hear that you have authorized taxpayer money to endorse a plan to continue an aerial gunning program of the wolves in Alaska. Not only is it wrong to kill wolves in this manner, but you are using tax payer dollars to benefit special interest groups. I ask you to stop this campaign, and turn to more environmental friendly measures. If this campaign continues, I will be sure to tell all my soldiers about your actions and will support your opponent in the upcoming elections. Thank you.rnrnSincerely,rnMajor Victor Khayat

victor.khayat@us.army.mil

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 5:12 AM
To: PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Kenai

Marty will give me a KPB LNG update - hopefully Navarre and Williams acknowleged to you that DNR has been diligently working on this and the state has heard them on this issue many times, tho Kenai hasn't liked DNR's answers they haven't been ignored.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 5:07 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Cc: Rutherford; Martha K (DNR)
Subject: Re: LNG export and Borough

Thanks - and I'm surprised they told Sean they don't feel they've been heard and/or there's no resolution in sight. I know they didn't like the state's answers, but sounds like they forgot to mention to Sean that we've heard them on this numerous times.

Maybe they've now got an innovative idea towards resolution they want to propose?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 23 Aug 2007 04:58:30

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Cc:Rutherford Marty <marty_rutherford@dnr.state.ak.us>

Subject: RE: LNG export and Borough

Marty would be available to give you an update whenever you have a few minutes. Tom

-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Sent: 8/23/07 12:21 AM

Subject: Re: LNG export and Borough

Thanks - I've met with this group on this issue at least once already, then with Mulva and Bowles on it - seems the issue has been rehashed many times and still no progress - I need to hear the latest from Marty on it.

Kris has also been a part of meeting(s) with this crew on the same issue.

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2007 14:29:35

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: LNG export and Borough

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 4:55 AM
To: Irwin; Tom E (DNR)
Subject: Re: PPT

Thanks!

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 23 Aug 2007 04:54:05

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RE: PPT

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-----Original Message-----

From: "gov.sarah@yahoo.com" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: "Tom Irwin" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Sent: 8/23/07 12:17 AM

Subject: Re: PPT

I'm anxious to hear Mark's idea! Thanks for this email - Privileged or Personal Material Redacte
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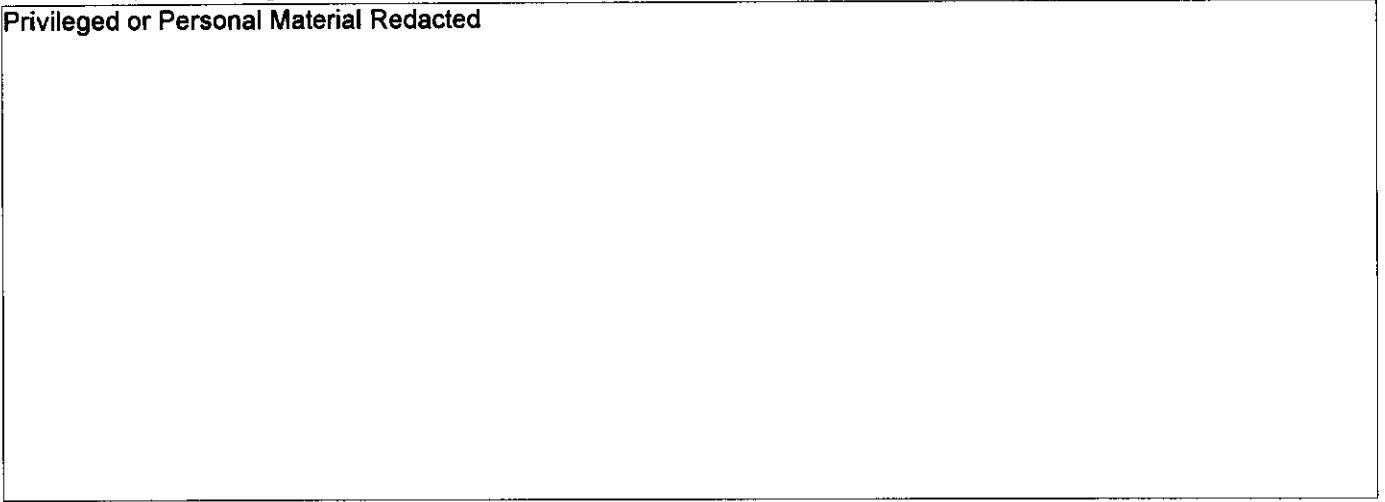
From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 22 Aug 2007 15:03:33

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: PPT

Governor, I want you to be aware of a very recent development on the PPT "problem".

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We know this is critical to you and the state. We are extremely committed to work on this. Thanks and let me know if you would like additional information.

Tom

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From: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=AEKREITZER]

Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 11:08 AM

To: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: Rural Community Outreach

Governor & Mike:
Just a quick update to follow on the last Cabinet meeting, in DOA we are looking to see how we can reach out to rural communities more effectively. In short, when I ran the clinic in Cold Bay, I had no idea I could have purchased medical supplies and EMT radios through the State's contracts. Working with DCED, we're going to get the word out to communities about savings; and look to the long-term with regional co-ops (you can see the list of issues in the email below).
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From: Jones, Vern O (DOA)
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 9:38 AM
To: Petro, Rachael A (DOA)
Cc: Brooks, Kevin A (DOA); Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Harvey, Walter R (DOA)
Subject: RE: Rural Community Outreach

I made contact with DCED Deputy Director Mike Black this morning. He seemed excited about the possibilities and had some great ideas to help us get our message out. We've had a good story to tell for quite some time about how we can assist communities lower their purchase prices for a number of goods, and even have presentations ready to deliver, but we've struggled in reaching a rural audience. We're meeting today with Community Advocacy Director Tara Jollie and two of her rural services experts.

From: Jones, Vern O (DOA)
Sent: Tuesday, August 21, 2007 3:12 PM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Brooks, Kevin A (DOA); Beecher, Carol L (DOA); Petro, Rachael A (DOA)
Cc: Harvey, Walter R (DOA)
Subject: Rural Community Outreach

This is a follow-up to our discussion August 9th regarding outreach to rural communities and businesses. I've met with staff several times to discuss ideas and options. We're working on two tracks – one to educate businesses in rural communities on how to be successful in doing business with the state and winning state contracts, and one to reach out to qualified political subdivisions to educate them on the contracts we have available that can save their communities' money and administrative costs.
Here's what we have done or planned so far:

- Staff are compiling lists of potential users and groups specific to each contract we have (DGS established and WSCA/NASPO/MMCAP)
- Staff are investigating organizations and associations those users may belong to (AML, Association of Fire Chiefs, etc.) and what options there are to market to them (attending annual meetings, newsletters, mailing or email lists)
- Meeting with DCED Community Advocacy Director Tara Jollie set for 8/23 to get her ideas on the best ways to reach and communicate with potential contract users and business owners, and what DCED can

do to assist us

- "Quasi" state agencies (AK Railroad, ASMI, AHFC, UofA, etc.) will be contacted to see if there is an opportunity to offer contracts they have established to rural governments
- Update our "How to do Business with the State" booklet to make sure it's appropriate for the rural audience
- Work has begun on scripts for two short instructional video presentations (one for poli-subs, one for businesses) to be placed on websites and/or put on CDs for distribution
- Modifications to the DGS "Buying the Good Stuff" training session are being made with the rural political subdivisions in mind
- We are also exploring what GSA and other states are doing in this area for ideas that might be appropriate in Alaska
- I've instructed staff that our standard practice should be to sign up for all available WSCA and NASPO contracts instead of only signing for those that a State agency has voiced an interest in

Another, longer term idea we're pursuing is the formation of an in-state buyer's group or cooperative. We believe that the efforts mentioned above will help us develop a good list of candidates to include in such a cooperative. I'll keep you posted as we make progress on these projects.

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]

Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 10:51 AM

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: Telephone Call

Governor – You just received a telephone call from an old classmate – Dane Tharp this a.m. He has been living in Texas for the past 25 years and just heard that you are Governor. He is up in Wasilla and when he heard that was like "wow" and would love a call from you if you have a moment. He also mentioned he would be at the fair today (Thursday). I wanted you to be aware as he probably will talk with you there. I did not mention that you would be there today. Thanks, Janice

Dane Tharp – 817-781-2169

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 5:12 PM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Flights for next week 08.29 - 08.30.07

Governor, before making your air reservations I wanted to check to see if you would like to come down to Juneau on Wednesday evening, 08.29 or on Thursday morning 08.30. I know that you need to return back to Anchorage on Thursday evening 08.30. Thanks, Janice

Byers, Gail Y (LAW)

From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 3:27 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: FW: AGC of Alaska Invitation

From: Kimberley Gray [mailto:Kimberley@agcak.org]
Sent: Thursday, August 23, 2007 3:22 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: AGC of Alaska Invitation

Dear Governor Palin,

Please take a moment to read the enclosed speaking invitation from AGC of Alaska.

Thank you very much for your time...

Kimberley Gray
AGC of Alaska
Events Coordinator
8005 Schoon Street
Anchorage, Alaska 99518
907-561-5354

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August 24, 2007

The Honorable Sarah Palin
Juneau Office
P.O. Box 110001
Juneau, AK 99811-0001

Dear Governor Palin,

The Alaska Chapter of AGC is quite busy getting ready for the upcoming annual conference scheduled for November 14 through November 17 in Anchorage and we would like to invite you to speak at our Ladies Brunch held at the Hotel Captain Cook on Saturday, November 17 from 10:30 am to 12:00 pm.

The theme this year is "Celebrate" as we look at all that AGC and its members have to celebrate this year.

We have several social events planned during our conference. The "Presidents' Welcome" on Wednesday evening is a very popular networking event to kick off the convention, Family Night is an opportunity for families to spend time together, and our dinner Dance on Saturday evening, is a black tie optional event where we announce the winners of our Hard Hat, Volunteer of the Year, Associate of the Year and Supplier of the Year Awards.

We look forward to hearing from you regarding your availability and thank you for considering our request.

Sincerely,

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